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North Dakota
Office of the Governor
John Hoeven
Governor

PROCLAMATION
NORTH DAKOTA CAREER AND TECHNICAL
EDUCATION WEEK
February 8-14, 2004

WHEREAS, profound economic and technological changes in our society are rapidly reflected in the structure and nature of work, placing new and additional responsibilities on our educational system; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education provides students with a school-to-careers connection and lifelong opportunities to learn new skills and pursue emerging careers, creating more choices for our youth and securing a strong workforce for the state; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota's Association for Career and Technical Education provides high school students with practical applications of basic skills, such as reading, writing and mathematics, enhancing the quality of their education and giving them leadership opportunities in their careers and communities; and

WHEREAS, the cooperative efforts of career and technical educators, business and industry fuel growth and expansion opportunities by preparing students for careers forecast to experience the largest and fastest growth in the next decade; and

NOW, THEREFORE, as the Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim February 8-14, 2004, **CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION WEEK** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/
John Hoeven
Governor

Attest:

/s/
Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State